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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA

JOSH THOMAS,

v.

Plaintiff,

Case No. C20-5937-JCC-MLP

ORDER

BARCLAYS BANK DELAWARE,

Defendant.

On December 9, 2020, Defendant submitted an Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time to File Answer ("Defendant's Motion"). (Dkt. # 10.) Defendant represented that its Motion was unopposed "based on Plaintiff's silence" after having called and emailed Plaintiff's counsel multiple times without receiving a response. (*Id.* at 1.) Defendant requests that the Court extend the current responsive pleading deadline 30 days from December 14, 2020, to January 13, 2021, to allow Defendant additional time to evaluate the complaint and to allow the parties to explore settlement. (*Id.*)

On December 10, 2020, Plaintiff filed a Response to Defendant's Motion requesting that the Court deny Defendant's Motion. (Dkt. # 12.) Plaintiff argues that Defendant has failed to

demonstrate good cause for an extension on the responsive pleading deadline after already having had 60 days to file an answer. (*Id.*; see dkt. # 11.) Accordingly, because this extension request is in fact opposed and Defendant has failed to articulate a good cause reason for an extension pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. Rule 6(b)(1), Defendant's Motion (dkt. # 10) is DENIED. The Clerk of the Court is directed to send a copy of this Order to the parties and to the Honorable John C. Coughenour. Dated this 14th day of December, 2020. United States Magistrate Judge